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TAGS: OVIP (UK), WILSON, HAROLD AND CALLAGHAN, JAMES

SUBJECT: PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF PRIME MINISTER'S AND  
FOREIGN SECRETARY'S MAY VISIT TO WASHINGTON

1. PRIVATE SECRETARY TO FOREIGN SECRETARY CALLAGHAN ADVISED US THIS MORNING THAT NUMBER 10 WOULD LIKE TO ANNOUNCE AT 1700 LOCAL TODAY PRIME MINISTER'S ATTENDANCE AT COMMONWEALTH HEADS OF GOVERNMENT MEETING AT KINGSTON, JAMAICA. PRIME MINISTER WOULD LIKE TO ADD A SENTENCE TO THIS ANNOUNCEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING SENSE: THE PRIME MINISTER AND FOREIGN SECRETARY WILL VISIT WASHINGTON FOR ONE DAY ON THEIR WAY BACK FROM JAMAICA. IF ASKED BY THE PRESS FOR FURTHER EXPLANATION OF THE WASHINGTON VISIT, SPOKESMAN WILL SAY ON UNATTRIBUTABLE BASIS THAT PRIME MINISTER AND FOREIGN SECRETARY ARE OICKING UP SUGGESTION BY SECRETARY KISSINGER THAT THEY STOP IN WASHINGTON ON THEIR RETURN FROM JAMAICA.

2. THE PRIVATE SECRETARY EXPLAINED THAT THE PRIME MINISTER FEELS A FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF HIS ATTENDANCE AT THE KINGSTON MEETING MUST BE MADE TODAY AND HE WOULD LIKE TO MENTION AT THE SAME TIME THE STOPOVER IN WASHINGTON. THE BRITISH DO NOT FEEL IT IS NECESSARY FOR THEIR PURPOSE TO MENTION SPECIFICALLY AT THIS TIME THAT THEY WOULD BE CALLING ON THE PRESIDENT AND THE  
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SECRETARY OR TO MENTION A SPECIFIC DATE.

3. FCO IS INSTRUCTING AMBASSADOR RAMSBOTHAM TO SEEK  
US CONCURRENCE IN THIS PROPOSED ANNOUNCEMENT ON URGENT  
BASIS AT OPENING OF BUSINESS TODAY.

4. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE BEING INFORMED OF DEPART-  
MENT'S REACTION TO PROPOSED BRITISH ANNOUNCEMENT.

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